REMARKS

Claim 23 has been canceled without prejudice. Accordingly, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) is moot.

Claims 1-22 are pending. Applicants kindly acknowledge that the final Office action states that all of claims 1-22 are allowed.

Applicants respectfully request that the application is in condition for allowance and respectfully request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. If there are any remaining issues that can be resolved by telephone, Applicants invite the Examiner to contact the undersigned at the number indicated below.

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